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And at the same time get fully the worth of your
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and continuing over Sunday.

Attorney A. H. Swarthout re-
turned from Saginaw City on Tuesday
last, where he has been spending a
week visiting his g—g parents.

Get all the information you can as
you go through life, but don't pretend
to know everything; none but hum-
buck skulls put on such airs—buy codish of
Finn.

Remember that a new saw-
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Mr. G. W. Knowles, of Center
Plains, has a brother-in-law visiting
him this week from Eaton county.

The new County Board of School
Examiners will meet in this village on
Tuesday next to organize.

FARM FOR SALE—I have a Farm
of 160 acres for sale Cheap.

The Agricultural Department esti-
mates the shortage of the wheat crop
at 125,000,000 bushels.

These are policy times when a green
grocer is doubled up like a half shut
jack-knife as Tom Woodfield was.

We were pleased to again see Mr.
Hiram Brown parambulating the
streets, although his steps were feeble.

Buy the American Sewing Machine
for sale at the Postoffice by Wm. A.
Masters.

Look out for sudden changes of
weather, and guard against them by
using Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver
Cure.

Rev. J. N. West preached to a
good congregation at the school-house
in district No. 2, Beaver Creek, on
Sunday last.

Rev. M. G. Persons, of Otsego
Lake, will occupy the desk at the
school house both morning and even-
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Mr. L. W. Wight has already
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THE GUIDE-POST
TRANSLATED FROM THE GERMAN DIALEK BY
RAYMOND TAYLOR.

I've known the road to the hotel of four!
At break o' day let down the bars,
And plow'y what field hour by hour,
Till sundown—yes, till shade o' starr!

You peg away, the lively long day,
Nor leave about, nor gaps around;
And that's the road to the thrashin' floor,
And into the kitchen, I'll be bound.

Do you know the roads where the dollars lay?
Follow the red conta here and there;

For if the man leaves them, I can guess
He won't find dollars anywhere.

Do you know the road to Sunday's rest?
Just don't week-days be afraid!

In field and workshop do y' best,
And Sunday comes it, we're heirs!

On Saturday it's not far off,
And brings a basketful o' cheer-

A rose and lots o' garden stuff,
And, like as not, a jug o' beer.

Do you know the road to poverty?
Turn in at any tavern sign!

Turn in—it's tempting as can be:
There's bags o' cow cards and liquor fine.

In the last taver' there's a sack,
And when the cash y' pocket quits,

Just hang the wallet on y' back,
You vagabond! see how it fits!

Do you know what road to honor leads,
And good old age—?—lovely sight—

By way o' temperance, honest deeds—
And tryin' to do your duty right.

And when the road forky side,
And you're in doubt which one it is,
Stand still and let your conscience guide;

Thank God, it can't lead much amiss.

And now the road to church-yard gate
You needn't ask. Go anywhere,
For whether roundabout or straight,
All roads at last 'll bring you there.

Go, fearing God, but lovin' more!

I've tried to be an honest guide—
You'll find the grave has got a glow—
And somethin' for you tickle side.

GENTLEMAN GEORGE.

When George Faulkner called at Col. Dysart's office and told him he wanted to marry his Kitty, the ruined old Colonel turned in his wrath and bade him leave his presence!

"We ain't got down to that," said he "and you have a mighty lot of insurance to ask for her."

Yet Kitty was only a little waif. Col. Dysart had raised as a kind of waiting maid for his two daughters; she had been given no advantages in the way of education, but everybody in the house had made a pet and plaything of Kitty, and she was as pretty as a wild rose—just the faintest color in her cheeks gave a slight suspicion of quadroon blood, but her beautiful brown hair was no easier than Fanny Dysart's. Her form was lovely; her hands and arms studies for a sculptor, and Gentleman George, as Faulkner was called, had tried by every unfair means in his power to woo and win her, tried and failed, and loving her all the more for her sweet strength of innocence he fortified himself with some Virginia tanglefoot and walked up to the cannon's mouth—in other words, he bluffed the Colonel and demanded Kitty's hand in marriage.

"A louder and hoarser thief," continued the irate Colonel, when Gentleman George sprang at his throat like a bull-dog.

"Take that back!" he shouted. "I'm no hoosier thief no mo'n you are. Take it back!" an athletic shake with every word.

"Well, well," gasped the choking Colonel, "mebbe you ain't; but you'll allow you're a moonshiner and a gambler."

"Oh," smiled Gentleman George, showing his handsome teeth; there was more than a suspicion of color in his blood—"you gamble yourself, Colonel; that's a gentleman's game; what's you a-goin' to do 'bout it? and the law is too close on a little whisky, and revenue officers a mighty hard lot. If that's all you've got again me, mought as well all me have the gal."

"I'll see you—first," said the Colonel, smartly, and the negotiations ended then and there.

Col. Dysart was of the old Virginia stock, a blue-blood gentleman, poor as a church mouse and proud as Lucifer, living regally with open doors, while he had anything, and maintaining a great family of dependents in as good style as he lived himself, white or black. Touch one of Col. Dysart's servants, and you touched him. He was a faithful steward while the estate lasted. That was why he hated to give up Kitty. She was almost like his own, though he had picked her up in the highway a squalling 3-year-old, and ridden into the door-yard with the kicking child under his arm. He transferred her to the cook, thence to the housekeeper, by degrees she reached Mrs. Dysart, who made her an especial pet, as long as she lived, and dying bequeathed her to Fanny, her eldest daughter.

The Dysart girls were good to her, but indifferent; Kitty missed some one to love very much, as she did good Mrs. Dysart, and her heart went out to the handsome fellow who smiled at her at barbecues, and met her at preacher's meeting, and tried to entice her off to clandestine trysts.

That *suspicion* of African creole blood which flushed his cheek found its mate in her; she had seen him laughing and talking with her young ladies—his family was as old and good as theirs—if it had crossed the color line somewhere, while she was a waif—a nobody. How good it was of him to love her!

But, all the same, Kitty was wide awake, and knew that, if she had neither birth nor birth to boast of, she had reputation, and Gentleman George was known to be wild, so she held her own and compelled him to ask for her duly in honorable marriage. You have heard what the Colonel said, but when did love ever fail in its undertakings? and

who came to the rescue but romantic Louise Dysart, the youngest daughter of the Colonel, whom Kitty had confided in, and she planned the whole thing—an elopement, carriage and pair, marriage before a Justice, and herself as witness. Then she went home and laughed to hear her father storm!

All this happened the year before we went to the Planters' House, on the Horseshoe mountain, where we had made up a party for the season; and we heard from Col. Dysart that Kitty had made a fool of herself, and he had sent Louise to a seminary North to get some sense in her head, and he'd be— if he'd ever help that silly Kitty, not if she starved! And then we learned that he had inquired all along about them, and found out that Gentleman George was very good to his little wife—that he had still eluded the excisemen, and gambled, but otherwise conducted himself properly. Defrauding the Government was not much of a crime there. The people had their own views about that. If Gentleman George did nothing worse than disseminate the moonshiner's whisky, without paying the taxes, he wouldn't lose much in the respect of the people.

We had some curiosity to see this chivalric George and his Kitty, and Fanny Dysart had promised to take us to their mountain cabin, but somehow we never went, and had nearly forgotten the intention, when one day we stumbled in on them quite accidentally. We were looking for wild flowers in the mountains, and a storm came up so unexpectedly that we hurried into the first cabin we came to for shelter. A sick man was bolstered up in a chair, and one of the prettiest, loveliest, most attractive girls I had ever seen was fanning him with an old palm leaf hat. The room was hung with starched and gilded muslin dresses, beautifully done up, and on a rack above the door several rifles were hung. The sick man was the living image of Wilkes Booth, as I remembered him—pale, statuesque features and dark curling hair, the embodiment of picturesque refinement and intellect. I never saw such devotion in any woman's face before as she gazed into his pale countenance to see if our entrance had startled him. She looked like the sister of Tasso, or Gertrude, bending over her Rudolph.

We did not stay long, but we came away deeply in love with Kitty, and rather distrustful of her sick husband, who was convalescing from an attack of mountain fever. We felt that something was wrong and that Gentleman George must be very selfish to wear a fine gold watch and a seal ring, and let Kitty take in washing from the hotel, as she actually did, for we recognized those beautiful laundry dresses. We felt that it was the old story of man's selfishness and woman's devotion, but we made ourselves agreeable, and drew the gentleman out. He talked well in spite of his veneer and he read Shakspeare and Mrs. Augusta Evans, and gave us some quaint music on the banjo, and told us of his family and was rather proud of the drop of mulatto in his blood.

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the free rider recognizes no compliment and feels no obligation, while for an abuse the constituency can hold its representative responsible for the legislation. To the free-ticket system must be added the compliment of special cars tendered to officials, indeed, sometimes sought after.

The free-ticket system has a special and unfavorable influence on legislation. Such is the ramifications of the railroad system in Pennsylvania, it reaches the home of nearly every member of the

Assembly. Hence no business of any magnitude is done on Friday, Saturday and Monday; a morning adjournment on Friday, and an evening meeting on Monday sufficing to keep the records straight. The effect is a loss of probably one-third of the time which should be devoted to legislation, and of thousands of dollars drawn from the taxes of the people.—Chief Justice Agnew's address at Roanoke College.

OUR NEXT VENTURE was of another sort: There was a quarrel between some distillers and the excisemen, and Col. Dysart went as peacemaker between them and collected a moiety of the tax money. He called at Kitty's on the way up the mountain, and left word that he would be back the next day at noon and would eat dinner with her. Her husband was well now, and that morning he took his rifle and went out "after game," he said. Kitty begged him not to interfere with any of the excisemen, and he promised he would not, and he left her with a careless kiss.

Fanny and Louise Dysart got up the idea of a picnic to meet their father, visit Kitty and spend a day in the mountains at the same time. There were no dresses hung in Kitty's cabin, though her hands had gathered the ruffles on Fanny's crisp lawn and Louise's organdy, through the medium of the head waiter at the hotel, but they uncomroniously asked her to admire the work. They chaffed her about her handsome husband, and wondered where he was, and declared laughingly they would not have come if they had not expected to see him. Col. Dysart was late, and the picnickers had their feast spread under the mountain pines and Kitty made a charming hostess, but she was anxious, and seemed watching and listening. At last Col. Dysart came riding slowly, and with his

bible-arm hanging by his side, broken by a rifle ball! The girls sobbed and clung to him, and asked a thousand questions, but Kitty helped him off his horse, got him in the house, and, with the help of others of the party, bandaged up the broken arm. Then the Colonel talked with white lips and set teeth.

"The highwaymen! It was the money they wanted, and they meant to shoot me like a dog. Four of them set on one man. Masked like thieves, a fool of herself, and he had sent Louise to a seminary North to get some sense in her head, and he'd be—if he'd ever help that silly Kitty, not if she starved! And then we learned that he had inquired all along about them, and found out that Gentleman George was very good to his little wife—that he had still eluded the excisemen,

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We learned later about his homecoming. Kitty watched till sunset, then

she prepared the supper lie loved best, and sat down to wait for his step. It was after sunset when a hand touched the gates, and a woman—a neighbor—came in. Kitty saw her and rose; the woman was dressed in her best garb, and carried her shoes in her hand, a habit peculiar to the people of the mountain country of Virginia when they carry bad news.

"Hey you heard anything?" she asked, as she faced Kitty.

"Hoed what?" asked the girl, with dry lips.

"They's a crowd up yonder on the mounting—a man is dead there! Heck on they won't teach him till the Crowner comes. He wuz shot thru the heart. I tho't mebbe—you might—somebody ought to tell you—"

The woman was talking to the cabin walls! Kitty had caught the meaning, and she was flying up the mountain slope with the speed of a deer!

We were all there, a stage-load of us, who had gone with the Colonel to identify the man who was shot, but some petty official, clothed with a little brief authority, had forbidden any one touching the body until the proper officer came. No one recognized the figure, lying prone in the moonlight, face down in the wavy dust; no one seemed to care to touch him, when the underbrush suddenly parted and Kitty stood there, white and terror-stricken in the pale glory of the night. No one tried to stop her as she threw herself with a wild cry on the motionless figure, and turned it in her arms as if it had been an infant, so that the face was next to hers. Then she stripped off the mask the robber still wore, and we all saw the pale, aristocratic face, calm and fixed in death, almost smiling in its waxen beauty.

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Such is the ramifications of the railroad system in Pennsylvania, it reaches the home of nearly every member of the Assembly. Hence no business of any magnitude is done on Friday, Saturday and Monday; a morning adjournment on Friday, and an evening meeting on Monday sufficing to keep the records straight. The effect is a loss of probably one-third of the time which should be devoted to legislation, and of thousands of dollars drawn from the taxes of the people.—Chief Justice Agnew's address at Roanoke College.

AWFUL CONDUCT OF A CIGAR.

A young man who was riding on the New Haven railroad was boasting—that he never smoked any other cigars than clear Havanas. As the car passed a cabbage field the cigar that he was smoking, being very strong, broke loose and jumped out of the car window and cried, "I must go and see my brothers, sisters and friends," and made straightway for the cabbage field. The young man's discomfiture was so great that he went in the forward car and sat there till the train reached its destination.

The moral of this story is never to say that you smoke clear Havana cigars—particularly when you're passing a cabbage farm.—Puck.

A PUTRIFACED girl, upon being asked what she considered the greatest misfortune that could overtake a woman, promptly replied, "Attending a picnic with her old husband." —Herald.

PAUPERES.

Capt. Basil Hall was entertained when traveling through this country by John Quincy Adams, who invited a number of gentlemen to meet him, among them

A MIXED PROPOSITION.

With which Maj. Max Greatly Puzzled His Wife.

(From the San Francisco Chronicle.)

"Did it ever occur to you, my dear, that a person going overland would have to mail two letters a day from the train in order to have one letter a day return to San Francisco?" asked Maj. Max.

"After the cloth was removed from the table and his wife was pouring his glass of two-thirds Benedictine and one-third curacao, which the Major contended was the only civilized drink to prepare for the after dinner cigar,

Mrs. Max passed the Major his cordial and waited a moment before replying.

"Why, no; it seems to me that if a person traveling east mailed a letter each day by a westward-bound train it would arrive here each day."

Mr. Max answered cautiously, for while she knew that the Major pretended to be a silent terrorist, party, for even an outlaw's death is a shadow on one's soul, but we all felt that the Colonel had done the country a service. These outrages had been frequent of late.

We hated to leave Kitty alone, but she said George would be right back, and we left her watching the winding mountain road, anxious for a first glimpse of his loved face.

"It was the blood," she said, and she soon came round and helped us to get off a silent terrorist, party, for even an outlaw's death is a shadow on one's soul, but we all felt that the Colonel had done the country a service. These outrages had been frequent of late.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

FOREIGN.

The St. Petersburg Golos, the leading Russian journal, has been suspended by the Government for six months.

A new company will shortly be formed in London, with a capital of £4,000,000 sterling, for reclaiming waste land in Ireland, amounting to about one-fifth of the superficial area of the country.

Reports of the condition of the French crops are not quite so favorable as they were some time ago. It is now certain that the yield will not be equal to that of last year, and may be below an average, while the crop should be considerably over the average to meet the consumption.

Express trains collided near Blackburn, England, five persons being killed and twenty severely injured.

Secretary Foster stated in the House of Commons that the cause of the unconditional release of John Dillon was the report of physicians that further confinement would endanger his life.

Two men concerned in the great Bank of England forgery were sentenced by the courts in London to fifteen and ten years' penal servitude, respectively.

The Boers have formally censured the establishment of the South African republic.

Russia is rejoicing over the immediate prospect of a plentiful harvest, which has already stimulated trade in the large cities.

The Canadian artillery team at Shoburgh was won the cup offered by the Marquis of Lorne, beating eleven parties of Englishmen.

Many towns and villages in Western Prussia have recently suffered much from incendiary fires. The fact that the inhabitants are mostly Jews leads to the conclusion that the incendiaries are Jew-haters.

The Episcopal rector and other respectable inhabitants of Tipperary had their windows smashed by a mob because they did not illuminate in honor of John Dillon's release.

The King of Spain forbids Cuba from participating in the cotton exposition at Atlanta, Ga., mainly on account of the scarcity of money in the treasury.

Switzerland is suffering from drought, very little rain having fallen for two months.

Yellow fever is sweeping off the officers and men of the De Lesseps Canal Company.

The German Government has taken measures to protect the Jews in Pomerania and West Prussia.

A machine is in operation in the Edison department of the Paris Electrical Exhibition which telegraphs 1,200 words per minute.

The Cornell University boatmen had no better luck in Vienna than they had in London. They obtained a lead of four lengths in the race, but when half the course was run, creased one member of the crew collapsed. The Cornellians then gave up the struggle and the Viennas won easily.

PERSONAL.

Gen. Robert Patterson, of Philadelphia, the hero of three wars, has succumbed to old age. At one time he had thirty cotton-mills in active operation. He was one of the most eccentric and most charitable men of the last century.

Orville Grant, brother of ex-President Grant, died last week at Morris Plains, N. J., aged 48 years.

Gen. Chalmers has announced himself as a Greenback candidate for the United States Senate from Mississippi, in opposition to Lamar.

Theodore Allan, a notorious gambler of New York, has married Miss Ella A. Glover, a young lady of beauty and refinement, and possessing a half million in her own right.

Castaway Indians suffering from malaria and chills.

Matthew Vassar, son of the founder of Vassar College, and a liberal patron of the institution, has just died at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

The death is announced at Quincy, Ill., of George C. Browne, who was secretary of the Interior in President Johnson's Cabinet.

Mrs. Edmire, widow of the late President Fillmore, died at Buffalo, in the 71st year of her age. Maximo Jarzec, the Minister from Nicaragua to the United States, died of apoplexy at Washington. The death is announced of the Rev. John Hill Burton, the Scotch historian and biographer, author of various works on the history of Scotland. Col. Henry B. Hay, one of the coal kings of Pennsylvania, died at his home in Pittsburgh. Benjamin Jones, a soldier of the War of 1812, the founder of the city of Milwaukee, Wis., died at that place in his 87th year.

Gen. Grant has bought for \$25,000 a residence on Sixty-sixth street, New York, for his future home. He will be at the soldiers' residence at Bloomington, Ill., on Sept. 6, and go thence to St. Louis and to Mexico.

President Garfield, on the 11th inst., wrote his first letter since the shooting. It was to his mother, assuring her of his confidence in his recovery. He begins to take much interest in public affairs.

POLITICAL.

Official returns from seventy-three counties in North Carolina give 89,955 majority against prohibition, with twenty-three counties to be heard from. Hayeswood is the only county in the State that voted in favor of prohibition.

The Republicans of Virginia met in State Convention at Lynchburg. The "Straight-outs" were in a minority, but their leaders, Congressmen Drenendorf and Jorgenson, and the Chairman of the State Central Committee played a sharp trick on the Coalitionists—sent them out from the convention hall, and admitted only those who would act under their instructions. Those who were sent out organized a convention of their own. A Committee of Conference was then appointed. The Conference Committee failed to bring about peace. The Coalitionists, or Mahoneites, endorsed the regular Readjuster platform and admitted only those who would act under

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GRAYLING, August 15, 1881.
Editor Avalanche:—In the shifting scenes of our earthly existence, mid-August once more is presented; time moves so swiftly along that it almost surprises a person when they look around them and find that the entire world keeps pace. Children that we knew but seemingly a short time since, we discover have put on the dignity of man and womanhood, and are entering the busy scenes of life; indeed, were it not for the changing seasons, gray hairs and decline would be upon us before we had supposed that we had reached maturity. To a sober, thinking person, it is quite amazing to note the amount of time that is wasted, or worse than wasted in useless discontent and repining. Hundreds come to this fair land with the avowed intention of making for themselves a home—they enter their homesteads like a dog entering the historical, or rather fabled-manger; then the evil fairy of discontent enters their souls; meanwhile, time speeds along and at length they discover, as some are already doing, that those of a contented mind are making for themselves good homes, and are surrounding themselves with not only the comforts of life, but many luxuries.

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STATIONS.	NORTHWARD. MAIL	SACRAMENTO	BAY CITY	Through Freight
Jackson...Lv	7:00 a.m.	4:15 p.m.	5:30 a.m.	
Rives Junction	7:15 "	4:18 "	5:35 "	
Mason	8:02 "	5:15 "	6:30 "	
Lansing ... Ar	8:15 "	5:25 "	6:45 "	
North Lansing	8:35 "	5:50 "	11:30	
Bath	8:37 "	6:10 "	12:15 p.m.	
Laingsburg	9:05 "	6:25 "	1:00	
Bennington	9:40 "	6:45 "	1:40	
D & M Crossing	9:42 "	6:57 "	2:15	
Owosso	9:45 "	7:20 "	3:00	
Oakley	10:18 "	7:45 "	4:10	
Cheesequake	10:26 "	8:00 "	4:40	
St. Charles	10:48 "	8:20 "	5:05	
Pittsfield	11:18 "	8:45 "		
Saginaw City... Lv	11:28 "	9:00 "	7:15 p.m.	
E. Saginaw	11:43 "	9:10 "	7:30 "	
F. & P. M. Jun.	11:45 "	9:15 "		
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